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In re Application of

Gotz NOWAK et al.

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THROMBIN INHIBITORSREPLY

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Sir:

In response to the Advisory Action dated September 15, 2004, please amend the above-identified application as follows:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

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